



June 28, 2026

Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Worship Notes

There are offering trays located at each entrance to the sanctuary. If you would like to give, you can put your offering there before worship. You can also give online using this QR code.



If you have a prayer request, there are blue prayer cards in your pew racks that can be put in the trays, as well.

The ^ symbol indicates that you are invited to stand, as you are able.

The hymns can be found on pages 3 and 4 of the bulletin, and the scripture readings are printed on the back.

Please note: This service is being live-streamed and archived through our social media channels. While the video focuses on the worship leaders, participants may also appear in the recordings.

Welcome to St. John's!

No matter who you are, where you come from, what you look like, or what you are wearing, you are welcome here! No matter where you are in your faith, you belong here. All we want is to help you experience the presence and love of Jesus Christ! If there is anything we can do to help you feel more at home, please feel free to ask one of the greeters located at the sanctuary doors. We would love for you to join us for refreshments downstairs in the Fellowship Hall after worship. We are so glad that you are here and hope you will worship with us again soon!

Prelude "The Lord Is My Shepherd" *J. Irvine/arr. M. Harvey*

Welcome & Announcements

Introit "Dona Nobis Pacem"

Answering God's Call to Worship

One: Everyone who loves God, come and offer thanks

All: Thank you God for your peace within me

One: Everyone who has gathered in this place, come and offer thanks

All: Thank you God for peace in this place

One: All who serve in this place, come and offer thanks

All: Thank you God for the peace we have learned to share

One: Praise the name of our God who is kind and good

All: Thank you God for your peace endures forever.

Together we will strive to piece together peace, piece by piece

^ Hymn "Be Thou My Vision"

Prayer of Invocation & Confession (ending with the Lord's Prayer)

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name.

Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread.

And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

Promise of Forgiveness

^ Gloria Patri (#71 in the red hymnal)

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;

as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end.

Amen. Amen.

Ancient Irish poem
 Trans. Mary E. Byrne, 1905
 Vers. Eleanor Hull, 1912; alt.

Irish ballad
 Harm. David Evans, 1927

1. Be Thou my vi - sion, O Lord of my heart;
 2. Rich - es I heed not, nor vain, emp - ty praise,
 3. Be Thou my wis - dom, and Thou my true word;

Nought be all else to me, save that Thou art—
 Thou mine in - her - i - tance, now and al - ways:
 I ev - er with Thee and Thou with me, Lord;

Thou my best thought, by day or by night,
 Thou and Thou on - ly, first in my heart,
 Heart of my own heart, what - ev - er be - fall,

Wak - ing or sleep - ing, Thy pres - ence my light.
 Great God of heav - en, my trea - sure Thou art.
 Still be my vi - sion, O Rul - er of all.

God, Be the Love to Search and Keep Me

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O Christ, Surround Me



1 God, be the love to search and keep me; God, be the prayer to
 2 Bind to my-self the Name of Ho - ly, great cloud of wit - ness-
 3 Bright-ness of sun and glow of moon-light, flash - ing of light-ning,
 4 Walk - ing be-hind to hem my jour - ney, go - ing a - head to
 5 Christ in the eyes of all who see me, Christ in the ears that



move my voice; God, be the strength to now up - hold me:
 es en - fold; proph - ets, a - pos - tles, an - gels wit - ness:
 strength of wind, depth of the sea to soil of plan - et:
 light my way, and from be - neath, a - bove, and all ways:
 hear my voice, Christ in the hearts of all who know me:



O Christ, sur-round me; O Christ, sur-round me.

Announcements

Congregational Life

June Birthdays

Happy birthday to everyone in our church family who is celebrating a birthday this month! Please wish them a happy birthday in person at church or send them birthday wishes by text, email, or a card in the mail. Join us after worship today for cake in Fellowship Hall to celebrate our June birthdays. If you would like to be included in our birthday lists, please contact Barbara McConnell (blbmccconnell@aol.com).

June 2	Howard Friend	June 8	Chip Roach
June 3	Dick Oliver	June 12	Nancy Roach
June 3	Doris Humphrey	June 13	Donn Young
June 3	Pierce Oliver	June 14	Nancy Kimmons
June 4	Lauren Feldman	June 15	Genevieve Bellew
June 5	Joe Arico	June 16	Sandy Forbes
June 6	Alberto Urbina	June 17	Jack Holcomb
June 6	Sharon Griffin	June 18	Patrick Bullock
		June 23	Ethan Fisher

St. John's Guitar Club

The next gathering of our Guitar Club will be **Wednesday, July 1 at 7:00 p.m.** Whether you are a beginner, an experienced player, or are just curious, this is open to all levels of ability. We just want to have fun, play together, and learn from each other. For questions, contact Brian Bouvier or John Senior.

Wednesday Men's Day Lunch

Our first Wednesday Men's Day Lunch was this past week, and it was a lot of fun! The next one will be on **Wednesday, July 8 at Noon.** Men of all ages are invited to bring their lunch to the church and eat together in Fellowship Hall! No RSVP needed, and there's no agenda; just an informal time of food and fellowship together. Come a little late or leave early if you need to. If you have any questions, just ask Pastor Patrick.

Service

Coffee Drive for Great Valley Food Cupboard

We are accepting ground coffee or Keurig cups (decaf and caffeinated) for the Great Valley Food Cupboard. A collection box will be in Fellowship Hall.

Children & Youth

Scan the QR code to subscribe to our Children & Youth Newsletter:



Vacation Bible School 2026

OPERATION RESTORATION: Mending God's World

Join us August 3–7 from 9 a.m. to Noon at St. Luke Lutheran Church in Devon for VBS! We will gather for music, Bible study, games, crafts, and FUN. Registration for students and volunteers is open now. You can register through May 30 using the link in the weekly email through. We are looking for volunteers to help with shepherding, station leading, and more! We have a volunteer position for everyone, even those who can only come one day. For more information, contact Pastor Ridgley!

Youth Bible Study will not be meeting for the summer and will resume in the Fall!

Faith Formation

Women's Book Study – 2 Opportunities

The Sunday book group will be taking the summer off. They will resume with a new book study in September. Contact Nancy Wolfe (nj.wolfe@verizon.net) for more information.

The Monday group meets at 10:00 a.m., in the Kean Room and on Zoom. They are reading, *From Daughters to Disciples: Women's Stories from the New Testament* by Lynn Japinga. Copies are available in the church office. Contact Nancy Arico (nancy.arico@verizon.net) for more info.

Men's Group

The Wednesday morning men's group is taking a break for the summer and will resume in the fall. Until then, come to one of our Wednesday Men's Day lunches!

Ministry Need:

We are need volunteers to help our nursery worker on Sundays this Summer! **We are especially in need of two volunteers on Sunday, July 12.** Please contact Pastor Ridgley or click the link in the weekly newsletter if you can help!

This Week in the Church Office

Pastor Patrick will be out of the office on vacation through July 6. He will be back in the office on July 7.

Any announcements for next week's bulletin or email must be sent to Annie by Noon on Wednesday.

Friday is Pastor Patrick and Pastor Ridgley's sabbath day, and the church office is closed on Saturday. If you email or call on those days, you will not get a response until they are back in the office.

If you have a pastoral emergency pertaining to a death, hospitalization, or crisis situation when the office is closed, please call 484-604-0499

Congregational Care

Giving Thanks for the Life of David Sheep

It is with great sadness and even greater hope in the resurrection of eternal life through our Lord Jesus Christ that we share the news that **David Sheep** died this past week. There are no plans for a service yet, but we will let you know if that changes.

Our hearts go out to **Dwight Jaggard** on the death of his brother Keith this past week. Condolences can be sent to:

Dwight Jaggard
829 Malin Road
Newtown Square, PA 19073

A Note from the Jaggards:

"I am deeply grateful for the support given to me over the past several months since the passing of Vangie Jaggard, my wife. I have been overwhelmed with the pastoral support of Pastor Patrick and Pastor Ridgley; the many cards, letters, emails and flowers; the words of support and encouragement; invitations for meals and conversation; help with the logistics of the memorial service; and all of you who have supported me and my family in your prayers.

Warmly and with gratitude,
Dwight Jaggard for the entire Jaggard Family

Giving

If you would like to support the life and ministry of St. John's, you can scan this QR code to give online.



Financial Update

As of May 31, year-to-date operating income from all sources totaled \$365,962, above budget by \$81,755, due largely to some people already giving their full pledges for the year. That always slightly inflates the financial picture in the first part of the year, but will average out over the coming months.

Expenses year-to-date are \$302,615, under budget by \$12,676.

Income minus Expenses yielded a surplus of \$63,358. Thank you for all the ways that you make the life and ministry of our church family possible!

Looking Ahead...

Sunday, July 19 - We will welcome Erik Friend with Caritas, one of our mission partners, in worship and he will share the work they are doing in Cuernavaca, Mexico!

Sunday, August 16- Our Senior High youth will be in Montreat, NC for their annual Montreat Youth Conference! They will lead worship on August 16 sharing about what they learned!

Sunday, September 20 - Save the date for our Fall Kickoff! We will gather for our first Sunday School class of the year followed by a meal together as a church family after worship.

Share the Love!

St. John's is trying to increase their online presence for the community at large to learn more about us! Please consider sharing your experience as a member of this church family (or even a visitor!) by reviewing us on Google or on Facebook! If you need help, click the links in the weekly email to show you how to do it step by step or contact Pastor Ridgley.

Scan this QR code to subscribe to our weekly email update:



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This Week at St. John's

Scan this QR Code for the complete church calendar:



Sunday, June 28

9:30 am Worship

Monday, June 29

10:00 am Women's Book Group (Kean Room)

Tuesday, June 30

5:00 pm Exercise Class (Fellowship Hall)

Thursday, July 2

5:00 pm Exercise Class (Fellowship Hall)

Saturday, July 4

9:00 am Exercise Class (Fellowship Hall)

Sunday, July 5

9:30 am Worship & Communion

St. John's Mission Statement

Reflecting God's unconditional love to all!

Core Values

Faith

We seek to grow in our faith and to recognize God's presence in our lives through scripture, worship, music, fellowship, study, and prayer.

Love

All people are welcome here. We are a caring, inclusive, intergenerational community, following Jesus Christ's example to love everyone, to be with one another in difficult times, and to share in each other's joys.

Service

We are passionate about helping those in need within our church family, in our local communities, across the country, and throughout the world. Led by the Holy Spirit, we are generous with our time, talents, and resources to bring hope to others in tangible, transformative ways.

Vision Statement

A spiritual home for the community where...

- everyone is welcomed with open hearts, showing each other grace in a complicated world
- people find belonging as they are known, valued, and loved
- together, we grow in our knowledge and love of God
- Jesus inspires us to serve others with compassion

Today's Scripture Reading

Psalm 46:1-10a

¹God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble. ²Therefore we will not fear, though the earth should change, though the mountains shake in the heart of the sea; ³though its waters roar and foam, though the mountains tremble with its tumult. Selah ⁴There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God, the holy habitation of the Most High. ⁵God is in the midst of the city; it shall not be moved; God will help it when the morning dawns. ⁶The nations are in an uproar, the kingdoms totter; he utters his voice, the earth melts. ⁷The LORD of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our refuge. Selah ⁸Come, behold the works of the LORD; see what desolations he has brought on the earth. ⁹He makes wars cease to the end of the earth; he breaks the bow, and shatters the spear; he burns the shields with fire. ¹⁰Be still, and know that I am God!

Romans 14:17-19

Therefore do not let what you know is good be spoken of as evil. For the kingdom of God is...of righteousness, peace and joy in the Holy Spirit...anyone who serves Christ in this way is pleasing to God...Let us therefore make every effort to do what leads to peace and to mutual upbuilding.

John 14: 27

Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid.

Philippians 4:6-7

Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

Matthew 5:9

Blessed are the peacemakers,
for they will be called children of God.

Questions & Notes

Which way of thinking about peace resonates most with you today? Peace as an action, peace as a promise, or peace as a new way of thinking?

What is your "thin place" where you feel at peace and closer to God?
